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25X1	1. Mr. Fred Flott, State Department, called
	to alert us that Representative Lester Wolff, a friend of Flott's who is
	running against Representative Seymour Halpern (their constituency has
	been redistricted), is trying to get headlines and plans to go into the
	allegations of CIA involvement in drug traffic. I told Flott to have Wolff
	or his Administrative Assistant call me and we would be glad to straighten
	him out.
	Robert Owens, Administrative Assistant to Representative Wolff,
	called to say that Wolff was much concerned about reports of Agency involve-
	ment in the drug traffic but before raising the matter in public he would
	appreciate a briefing. I said I would be glad to talk to Wolff with the
	understanding that any discussion of the Agency role in coping with the
	drug traffic would have to be confidential. Owens said he was sure this
	would be acceptable, and I said under these conditions I would have no
	objections to Owens being present. He said to schedule the briefing for
	Thursday, 23 March 1972 at 11:30 a.m.
25X´	2. Called Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief
	Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, to alert him to tomorrow's
	story by Jack Anderson about the Agency involvement with ITT in Chile.
0EV4	3. Called Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence
25X1	Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee, to alert him to the Jack
	Anderson story, which he appreciated.
	I also explained to Mr. Nedzi that the press stories about AID health
	and medical funds for Laos being diverted to CIA were quite misleading.
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25X1	10. Received a call from Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, concerning the press items relating to the use of AID health funds to finance the Central Intelligence Agency activities in Laos. I met with Mr. Slatinshek later in the day and discussed the
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25X1A 25X1A 25X1A	a copy of the GAO report on this subject and asked that I provide him with answers to the questions he had noted therein. FE Division, has been advised.
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25X1	Contacted Horace Pascal, Mutual of Omaha, to relay my conversation with Dean Sharp, Assistant Counsel, Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly Legislation, Senate Judiciary Committee, that the Mutual of Omaha report to the Subcommittee on the 20th did not have to cover the GEHA program and that another program could be substituted.
25X1	13. Called Dick Schultz, Associate
25X1A	Chief Counsel, House Internal Security Committee, and based on the advice of Office of Security, told him that the Agency makes little or no use of the Subcommittee's indices, but Mr. Schultz would still like to have the opportunity to discuss the matter further with an Agency Security
25X1A	representative in the field of name checks, which he is also going to do with the Civil Service Commission and the FBI. (See Journal of 16 March 1972.)
25X1	Mr. Robert Hull, <u>Department of State</u> , called for a reaction to a memorandum he had sent me on a recommended position for State to take on the Office of Management and Budget's recommendations concerning the funding of the Foreign Service retirement system. (Copies of the papers in question have been sent to the General Counsel. Director of Personnel, and Director of Finance.)

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25X1	Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called to let us know he has given DOD a deadline of this Friday for submission of an alternative arrangement for the funding of the irregulars in Laos. Braswell also said he wanted a position from us as to whether we favored payment by DOD or State. See Memorandum for the Record.
25X1	George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called about a story which appeared in the Washington Daily News
25X1 25X1A	Murphy asked for our comments on the accuracy of this article. Murphy mentioned again. He expressed a desire for any information we might give him about this case because of the JCAE's interest in the sale of gaseous defusion technology abroad and its interest in the International Atomic Energy Association (IAEA).
25X1	17. Received a call from Colonel Dick Wood, in the Pentagon, asking if the Director had given a briefing on the Hill last Friday. I told him he had not and this satisfied his inquiry.
25X1	Called Dale de Haan, Counsel, Senate Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees, and expressed concern about the inaccuracies about the column by Tad Szulc in the New York Times of 19 March which reported Senator Kennedy's statements about the classified GAO report on the AID
25X1A	health program in Laos. See Memorandum for the Record.
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